OIPE IAP13
JAN 24 2006
PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No.: 0037-0215P
(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:
Hisahito MIYAKE

Application No.: 10/680,227 Confirmation No.: 4048

Filed: October 8, 2003 Art Unit: 3727

For: BAG FOR CONTAINING AN ARTICLE Examiner: J. F. Pascua

## STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the attorney named below be advised of the status of the above-identified application. Please advise us of when we might expect to receive an Office Action from the Patent and Trademark Office.

Dated:
JAN 24 2006

Respectfully submitted,

By _____
James M. Slattery
Registration No.: 28,380
BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP
8110 Gatehouse Road
Suite 100 East
P.O. Box 747
Falls Church, Virginia 22040-0747
(703) 205-8000
Attorney for Applicant